

Unit 8

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1 Report the statements using these verbs. Where necessary, use the preposition *me* after the verb.

advise agree apologise deny refuse warn

- 1 "It's best to be at the press conference early." Helena *advised me to be at the press conference early.*
- 2 "You're right. It is a brilliantly written editorial." Connor
- 3 "No, I won't reveal my sources." Kelly
- 4 "Don't exceed the speed limit." Sophie
- 5 "I'm sorry I forgot about the interview." Dylan
- 6 "But I never criticised his photos!" David

2 Circle the correct option.

- 1 They all agreed that *his story be* / *his story is* / *his story was* the most original of all.
- 2 Sylvia complimented me *for writing* / *on writing* / *that I wrote* an inspiring news story.
- 3 Did Pat promise *publishing* / *that he published* / *to publish* your article?
- 4 Why would they accuse you *of faking* / *to fake* / *for faking* both pictures?
- 5 Please remember *signing* / *you sign* / *to sign* the document before handing it in.
- 6 The reporter complained *about being treated* / *for being treated* / *to be treated* rudely.

3 Write sentences using the prompts.

- 1 (Present report about a past event) believe / story / blown out of proportion.
It *is believed that the story was blown out of proportion.*
- 2 (Present report about a present event) claim / losing weight / buy / you / extra years of life.
It
- 3 (Past report about a past event) believe / he / refuse / the film award / for political reasons.
It
- 4 (Present report about a future event) say / schools / allow / students / to use / their smart phones / to help / their education.
It
- 5 (Past report about a distant past event) understand / the photo shoot / take / hours / to complete.
It
- 6 (Past report of a future event) think / he / give up / his career / to spend / more time with his family.
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4 Rewrite the sentences as passive reporting sentences.

- 1 They report: "The most commonly used letter in the alphabet is E."
It *is reported that the most commonly used letter in the alphabet is E.*
- 2 Experts claim: "Sleeping eight hours a day protects us from early ageing."
It
- 3 People report: "The company will launch sci-fi glasses with a camera and Internet access."
It
- 4 They said: "That feature has made headlines all over the world."
It
- 5 People believed: "Ready-made meals will replace freshly cooked meals in many households."
It
- 6 They estimate: "85% of plant life is in the ocean."
It

5 Choose the correct option (a, b or c) to complete the sentences.

- 1 Mary admits influenced by the news article.
a to be **b** being c is
- 2 Charlotte suggested the photos to Facebook.
a uploading b me to upload c I'd upload
- 3 They persuaded me any further action about the privacy matter.
a to not take b not taking c not to take
- 4 They warned us that it a busy day in the newspaper office.
a will b can be c would be
- 5 In the early 1900s, not many people believed that humans walk on the Moon one day.
a will b would c are going to
- 6 It that cats spend 66% of their lives asleep.
a is said b says c say